AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

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ease amend the Claims as follows. 1. (Canceled)	
2. (Canceled)	
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7. (Canceled)	
8. (Canceled)	
9. (Previously Presented) A computer system in a computer network,	
said computer system comprising:	
a bus;	

a memory unit coupled to said bus; and at least one processor coupled to said bus, said at least one processor for executing a

method for action selection based upon an objective of an outcome

relative to a subject, said method comprising:

- a) acquiring and storing a training set, said training set an existing database of information, said information are attributes of said subject, wherein said training set is to provide a base of data for said method;
- b) calculating and storing a best behavioral model for predicting said outcome, provided an action is applied to said subject;
- c) mapping of said training set to said best behavioral model within a business metric space, wherein said mapping is subsequently stored;
- d) selecting and storing a random sub-sample of said training set mapped to said best behavioral model, said random sub-sample for reducing computational requirements when determining an optimized strategy; and
- e) determining and storing said optimized strategy for said random sub-sample, said optimized strategy for providing an optimal action relative to said subject for said objective of said outcome.
- 10. (Previously Presented) The computer system of Claim 9 wherein said subject is a customer of a business entity, said business entity being enabled to interact with said customer in a web based environment, and wherein said action is a promotion offered by said business entity.
- 11. (Previously Presented) The computer system of Claim 9 wherein the method for action selection based upon an objective of an outcome relative to a subject further comprises:

allocating a dimensional attribute vector relative to each subject referenced in said database.

12. (Previously Presented) The computer system of Clam 9 wherein the method for action selection based upon an objective of an outcome relative to a subject further comprises:

10013649-1 Examiner: Bell, M. Serial No.: 09/854,084 Group Art Unit: 2121 deriving a function from said action being applied to said subject, wherein said function equates to said best behavioral model and wherein said

function is represented as a dimensional vector.

13. (Previously Presented) The computer system of Claim 9 wherein said

subject of said mapped training set is a separate point in said business metric

space.

14. (Previously Presented) The computer system of Claim 9 wherein

the method for action selection based upon an objective of an outcome relative

to a subject further comprises:

utilizing linear programming to calculate said optimal action, wherein

said optimal action is associated with the largest number of subjects.

15. (original) The computer system of Claim 9 wherein said optimized

strategy provides a logical division for classification of said subject, so as

to determine said optimal action of said objective of said outcome, relative to

said subject.

16. (Previously Presented) The computer system of Claim 9 wherein a

new subject, said new subject not from said training set, is mapped to said best

behavioral model and said optimized strategy, such that said new subject is

included in a classification of a logical division for classification, said logical

division provided by said optimized strategy, so as to provide an optimal

action for said objective of said outcome, relative to said new subject.

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17. (Previously Presented) A computer readable medium for storing computer implemented instructions, said instructions for causing a computer system to perform:

a) acquiring and storing a training set, said training set an existent database of information, said information are attributes of said subject, wherein said training set is to provide a base of data for said method;

b) calculating and storing a best behavioral model for predicting said outcome, provided an action is applied to said subject;

c) mapping of said training set to said best behavioral model within a business metric space, wherein said mapping is subsequently stored;

 d) selecting and storing a random sub-sample of said training set mapped to said best behavioral model, said random sub-sample utilized for reducing computational requirements when determining an optimized strategy;
 and

e) determining and storing said optimized strategy for said random sub-sample, said optimized strategy for providing an optimal action relative to said subject for said objective of said outcome.

18. (original) The computer readable medium of Claim 17 wherein said subject is a customer of a business entity, said business entity enabled to interact with said customer in a web based environment, and wherein said action is a promotion offered by said business entity.

19. (Previously Presented) The computer readable medium of Claim 17 wherein said computer implemented instructions cause a computer system to perform:

allocating a dimensional attribute vector relative to each subject referenced in said training set.

10013649-1 Examiner: Bell, M. 20. (Previously Presented) The computer readable medium of Claim 17 wherein said computer implemented instructions cause a computer system to perform:

deriving a function from said action being applied to said subject, wherein said function equates to said best behavioral model, and wherein said function is represented as a dimensional vector.

- 21. (Previously Presented) The computer readable medium of
 Claim 17 wherein said subject of said mapped training set is a separate point
 within said business metric space.
- 22. (previously presented) The computer readable medium of Claim 17 wherein said computer implemented instructions cause a computer system to perform:

utilizing linear programming to calculate said optimal action, wherein said optimal action is associated with the largest number of subjects.

- 23. (original) The computer readable medium of Claim 17 wherein said optimized strategy provides a logical division for classification of said subject, so as to determine said optimal action of said objective of said outcome, relative to said subject.
- 24. (Previously Presented) The computer readable medium of Claim
 17 wherein a new subject, said new subject not from said training set, is mapped
 to said best behavioral model and said optimized strategy, such that said new
 subject is included in a classification of a logical division for classification, said

10013649-1 Examiner: Bell, M. Serial No.: 09/854,084 Group Art Unit: 2121 logical division provided by said optimized strategy, so as to provide an optimal action for said objective of said outcome, relative to said new subject.

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